

CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1.
"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.
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MISSIONARY SUNDAY

The Time For Another Collection March 11, 1917.

SOME INTERESTING FIGURE AND REPORTS

According to the decision of the assembly the time has now come for another missionary collection. It was decided to have this collection taken on the second Sunday in every other month, beginning with the first Sunday in January 1917.

The first day has already past and now the second is upon us. How the time flies by, and souls are dropping into eternity at the rate of three thousand and six hundred an hour. This means that while you enjoy the sweet slumber on your downy pillow the allotted time of eight hours, twenty-eight thousand and eight hundred souls are dropping into eternity, and this occurs every eight hours.

How our hearts ache and throb as we take time to reflect a few minutes about the multitudes passing so swiftly to their eternal destiny; time passing so rapidly and we so slow to carry the gospel to the multiplied millions that never heard.

We are the only people in the world that are prepared to carry a FULL GOSPEL. This statement may seem a little egotistical and selfish, but when the matter is simmered down to cold facts it is too true to be sneered at. To say nothing about the common and popular religion which we all know is cold enough to freeze almost any soul, where is the holiness or pentecostal movement that endorses all the teaching of Jesus, besides the Church of God?

They say they do, but when they are forced right down to the point, and brought face to face with every point they will not stand the test. The common religion breaks off at real experience and vital godliness, and scarcely acknowledges that there is anything more to religion than an intellectual belief and probably water baptism. And those that accept real regeneration hardly get deep enough to accept sanctification as a cleansing from the old man sin.

Then when we pass to the

holiness ranks, they take holiness all right (in theory if nothing more), but only a few of them accept divine healing on the straight Bible way. And they stop short of the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and in many instances even sneer at the tongues that always accompanies the baptism.

Then when we consider the pentecostal people, only a part of them wash feet, and stand flat footed for divine healing, and the other tongues as the evidence of the baptism always. And when we come up to signs and gifts they all stop and shake their heads when the serpents are produced, and fire is handled as a miracle. And when the power is demonstrated in a manner that their little minds can't understand, they often cry out "fanaticism" or "flesh."

So after all, when we consider the matter just as it is, and remember that the gospel is not fully preached without the signs and wonders and power (Rom. 15:18, 19.) of the Spirit of God, my statement may not seem so incorrect, and upon the Church of God falls a great and tremendous responsibility, because they are the only people that are able to meet the requirements of the commands and teachings of Jesus.

Then if upon us falls the responsibility of carrying the last gospel message to every nation, and kindred, and tongue and people, (Math 24:14, Mark 13:10, Luke 24:46, Rev. 14:6, 7.) we will surely have to put forth greater effort and hurry, above any people that have ever made their shadow on the earth. The gospel of the kingdom must be preached unto all nations, and we have such a short time to get it done, and we are evidently all the people that have it in its fullness.

We have not done much in foreign fields as yet, but it is now time for us to push

into foreign ports and plant the full standard, and raise the flag of deliverance over the heads of the multitudes across the deep blue sea.

Hallelujah! I feel the fire of "Go ye," burning in my soul now, and sometimes I long to go, and no doubt I would have been gone long ago, if the Lord had not set me in the place I now occupy.

But somebody will go, and I hope that if I can do no more, I can stir up the souls of others so they will burn with holy zeal and heavenly fervor until they will go and go and spread the fire as they go.

We ought to have plenty of people that will make the sacrifice of home, companionship, and friends for the sake of lost souls for whom Jesus died, and will drop into Hell if we do not make haste and do our part. Men that can preach have no time to farm, dig in the mines, work in the factories or do other secular work. Others that cannot preach can do such work while the preacher goes and goes and preaches as he goes.

Only a few years ago Bishop Taylor was possessed with such holy zeal for the lost people of Africa that he left his wife and babies in this country and stayed in the dark continent so long working for the lost people there that when he returned home he met his own son, nine years old, that he had never seen.

There is a sacrifice for you of both father and mother. When the responsibility is upon us as it is, can we afford to let a Methodist preacher of a few years ago outstrip us in labor and sacrifice? If he could leave wife and children nine years at a time it looks like some of us ought to begin to get our eyes open and get so we can stay out in the work a few short months at least while we remain in the U. S., and when we cross the sea be willing to stay as long as a Methodist preacher remained away from his wife and babies.

This is a year of beginnings for us in foreign mission work in earnest. We feel like congratulating our people for the interest they are manifesting. As a result of the call of the assembly for the sec-

ond Sunday of January to be the first special day set apart for missionary collections it is very gratifying. The collections all told have amounted to \$371.11. Not a bad showing for a beginning.

But we hope the next day for general collections which occurs on March 11th will make a considerable increase. When we consider the few in number that recognized this first missionary day it will certainly prove that we can increase the amount this time.

Call attention to some interesting figures and reports which will speak better and louder probably than I can express it in any other manner.

Under the first call four Sunday schools sent in \$13.50. Thirty individuals sent in \$53.05. And seventy-three churches sent \$304.56. Total as given above, \$371.11

This call was not to Sunday schools and individuals, but their response is greatly appreciated. The thirty persons that contributed shows an average of \$1.76 to the individual. This counts up very nicely into a nice little sum, and the amount will scarcely be missed by those that gave it.

Now look a moment at the churches that responded. The seventy-three averaged \$4.17 to the church. This is not large, but every little counts. But I wonder where the other 157 churches are that remained as silent as the grave. The assembly reports show a total of 230 churches. Seventy-three of these gave \$304.56, an average of \$4.17. Then at the same rate the 157 that failed to respond should have sent in \$654.69. And this added to the 73 that did respond would count \$959.25. And then to this amount add the \$13.50 given by the four Sunday schools, and the \$53.05 given by the thirty individuals and it would be the nice little sum of \$1,025.80.

But alas! the 157 churches did not respond. I wonder how many souls will go to hell because of the failure of the 157 churches, that might have been saved if they had heartily responded along with the seventy-three. I trust they will feel a sense of the grave responsibility.

Call attention to the fact

that our missionaries cannot tread the waters to reach the foreign soil, and it takes from three to five hundred dollars to land one person even on our sister continent, South America. We have one missionary on the way to South America, another waiting to go, another waiting to go to Cuba, another to Central America, another and his wife waiting to go to Africa. If the 157 churches had responded as liberal as did the 73 you can see how much further along we could be now.

And remember we are helping the Bahama Island work, and some in Egypt, and some in China, but we can't do as much now as we hope to soon. I trust we will hear from the 157 silent churches this month. They cannot afford to remain silent and pay no attention to the call of the assembly. Surely they will come this time.

The matter of foreign mission work is becoming more interesting now, and as we get churches established more and more on foreign soil, the interest will grow. Hallelujah! My soul is full of it. The Church of God must go to foreign countries, and we must hurry about it. Hearts are breaking to go, but they cannot go unless they are sent, and we cannot send them without means to pay their fare across the blue water.

Come on now, Children of the King, let us respond heartily to the call of the assembly this time and roll up a round thousand for missions and turn these men and women loose on the foreign soil where they can spread the glorious gospel, both with signs and wonders and mighty deeds and give our brothers across the water a chance to get into the glorious and wonderful Church of God.

Hurry, beloved, and let us come to the front on this subject and have a few churches in South America and Cuba if no more, before the assembly in November. Then we want to push on to other islands of the Bahama group as well as other islands of the sea.

This is written from a heart full of love, and broken over lost souls of the earth for whom Christ gave His life.

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To any minister that will send us as many as five new subscribers and \$5.00, we will give you your subscription free for a year.

Our brother, C. M. Ellard, who is in Alabama state prison, reports two more saved. He has meeting in the prison every Sunday.

If there is any way to get all of our ministers in the work regular the balance of this year I feel we ought to find it. Time is short and the work is great.

It is almost time again for the Sunday schools to order their literature for the next quarter that commences the first of April. Now is a good time to start new schools, too; and the Spring quarter is always a good time to make the Sunday school work prosperous and increase the attendance.

Hope our friends will still push the subscriptions to the Evangel. Send for sample copies, free, and do your best to help us increase the subscription list.

County Evangelism

Dear Bro. W. G. Anderson, of Johnson City, approves of our plan to evangelize the counties, so he and his partner, have kindly agreed to accept three or four counties, and make a special effort to establish a Church of God in each one of the four. So may the Lord bless him in his effort.

I would be glad to hear from others on the same line.
F. J. Lee.

Gone, But Not Forgotten

Sister Ella Walker, wife of Bro. James Walker, departed this life Feb. 19, 1917, after an illness of four days.

To know Sister Walker, was to love her. I'm sure we shall never forget her shining face as the power of God would move upon her, and she shouted and praised the Lord.

She will be missed in the home, and at church, where she was always ready to lend a helping hand whenever she could.

Our sister has fought a good fight, she has finished her course, she has kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for her a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give her at that day.

One who loved her,
Mrs. H. B. Simmons.

Further Receipts For Missions.

Lou Griffin, Chattanooga, Tenn.	\$1.00
Mrs. J. A. Croy, New Castle, Va.	0.50
Church at Gastonia, N. C.	8.00
Church at Perry, Fla.	0.50
Church at Clara, Fla.	5.30
W. T. Gammon, Alva, Fla.	2.00
Clara S. Ogle, Ocala, Fla.	1.00
Church at Red Oak Grove, Tenn.	1.53
Church at Parish, Fla.	1.00
Mrs. L. E. Alfred, Fort Grant, Canal Zone	1.00
Church at Mt. View, Ala.	1.45
Church at Mineral Park, Tenn.	0.50
Church at Sobel, Tenn.	2.00
Mrs. W. J. Boyd, White Plains, Ga.	0.75
Church at White Oak Flat, Tenn.	2.00
Total	28.73
Previously reported	408.63
Total receipts	\$337.36

DISBURSEMENTS

Maggie Jeffords, Bahamas	20.00
W. H. Cooss, Bahamas	10.00
Lewis J. Major, Bahamas	5.00
Previously reported	226.27
Total	261.27
Balance	\$176.09

Egypt

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

Your very kind letter was received, and also the six dollars, for which I thank you very much.

There are no Pentecostal missionaries here any more, but I wish to say that I was saved, sanctified and then I received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and when I am asked to what church I belong, I say "The Church of God." I love the Church and I am trying to do my best for God, and I am trying train up these children in the way they should go. I am not preaching any more because my work is not preaching now, but I love the doctrine and am trying to live so that in the last days the church will not be ashamed of me or my work or my children.

I have fifty-six children to sew for, to teach and to care for, and I have no help only two native servants.

Kindly tell my friends and all the saints to pray for me and my children.

Your sister,
Lillian H. Trasher.

Enroute to South America

"Hitherto hath the Lord been with us."

Praise God, we landed this morning, Feb. 5th. Cristobal and Colon are the same.

We had all the war news on board, but praise God, through him we keep still, for our trust is in Him who made heaven and earth. I am stopping at the American Bible Society, just two blocks away from the steamer landing.

I am going out this afternoon to hunt for a mission.

Some on board thought the "Church of God" must mean the Mormon church, but I told them we are the Church of God built on "This Rock," and the gates of hell shall not prevail against us.

This seaport reminds me of Aden, Arabia, where there are a mixed multitude.

Do pray that we may have a harvest of souls at this place and up the west coast of South America.

Yours in His glad service.

Lucy M. Leatherman.

Later—Canal Zone.

I am now here, at Fort Grant. There is much that might be done over in Panama, but rents and the cost of living are very high.

The people in the Bible House at Cristobel were very nice to me. God bless them and give them the light. They are more open than any I have met.

I would be glad to go on to Lima, Peru, or Valpariso. Can get a through ticket cheaper than a stopover if I only had enough.

Love to all,

Lucy M. Leatherman.
Fort Grant, Canal Zone.
Care of Mrs. Alfred.

Augusta, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Saints of God—Greeting in Jesus' Name: I am just home from Bramburg, S. C., where we had a wonderful meeting.

As the word went forth people were convicted and some were saved, some were sanctified, and some received the Holy Ghost and still others were healed.

One lady who had neuralgia of the heart was healed at the service one night, and oh, such shouting, dancing, speaking in tongues, and praising God! It was truly wonderful.

The church was set in order with seven members and others to come in later. We certainly had the devil to fight, but we left the people crying, "Come back."

Yours in Christ,
W. H. Rogers.

Seneca, S. C.

Bro. A. J. Tomlinson and Saints—Greeting in the Name of Our Christ:

I want to add a few more words to my testimony, which I have been trying to give, ever since I got under the Blood; but I can only tell at it. Praise the Lord! I don't believe I can ever get it all told, this side of heaven.

Jesus is all I need. He is my all and in all.

I have just gone through a battle with satan, who has been trying to afflict every one of the saints at this place, with something like la grippe, but praise God, I have won the victory, and the Lord has let me play the piano twice, under the power of God. Glory to God!

I wish everybody were willing to suffer for Jesus, for just as sure as we have a hard battle with satan, and we win the victory through the Blood of the Lamb, we will certainly get a good blessing.

I have been a member of the Church of God nearly three years, and the way gets brighter all the time.

Just a word now to those who have lately started in the way. When you, dear friends, are tempted by satan, just pray that much more, for he can't stand prayer. The devil will not fail to try to overthrow you, but Jesus will take care of you, if you will trust Him, and pray as you should.

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or peril, or sword? Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us." Rom. 8:35, 37.

Let us pray more, and be able to eat meat, instead of having to drink milk.

Yours under the Blood,
Ada Rhode.

At Rest.

I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them. Rev. 14:13.

Jan. 23, I was called to Marco to conduct the funeral service of Brother James Addison who died suddenly in his fish-boat, while taking in his net.

Brother Addison was the first in this country to preach the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, and though he is gone he will not be forgotten.

Our brother's life was one

of trials and hardships, but through all, he remained faithful to his God.

He leaves a wife and mother, many relatives, and a host of friends to mourn his loss.

His pastor,
H. B. Simmons.

A Request.

I want to ask every child of God to pray a special prayer for my dear brother, Leonard Lewis, who has been afflicted for six years. He has suffered so much.

The Dr. advised an operation,* but he felt that it would be of little use.

He has never been sanctified but is a believer in holiness.

We know God's Word is true; and He says, "The prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up."

I am so anxious for him to be healed if it is God's will but if it be His will to take him, I want him to be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, and ready to meet God.

Your sister in Jesus,

Ida Poe.

Route 2, Hixson; Tenn.

Hugheston, W. Va.

Dear Brother Tomlinson—Greeting in Jesus' Name: I am saved, sanctified, and filled with the blessed Holy Ghost.

My father and mother have the Holy Ghost, and we are certainly happy in the Lord.

Brother Rumler conducted a meeting here, in which twenty-three received the Holy Ghost.

Pray for us here in the hills of West Virginia.

Hunter Milam.

Ranger, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All the Brethren and Sisters—Greetings in Jesus' Name:

This salvation is indeed wonderful. The way gets brighter all the time.

We are so thankful that we still have the Holy Ghost, and really love all of God's children, and those who are not in this way too.

We are members of the Church of God.

Some people do not understand the way of holiness, but we are praying for the Lord to give them light and understanding.

It is so much better to live for Jesus, than to serve the devil.

We are determined to go all the way with Jesus, and desire the prayers of the saints.

C. E. Shope and Wife.

Catchings, Miss.

Dear Evangel Family—
Greetings in the Name of
the Holy Child Jesus:

I praise God this morning
for victory, and for the grace
He gives me to overcome.

It has been over a year
since I wrote to the paper,
but I still feel the fire of
heaven burning in my very
being for the dear saints.

I praise Him for the place
I fill in the body of Christ.
The more I see of other so-
called churches, creeds and
disciplines of men, the better
I love the Church of God.

Four years ago, God won-
derfully saved, sanctified and
baptized me with the Holy
Ghost according to Acts 2:4,
and it is my experience to-
day. But never until this
last year, have I realized so
fully, what it means to follow
Jesus.

It has been over a year
since I have heard a real
good, soul-feeding sermon.
My husband and I, are the
only members here who
stand for divine healing. The
Lord healed my husband
of abscess. Some thought it
to be appendicitis, but the
Lord healed him. Praise His
Name.

I praise God for the Grace
he gave me to say Yes, to
Him, when he called home,
on Nov. 5, 1916, our little
darling Audrey. She was
baptized with the Holy Ghost
last winter, and was often
seen at the altar, trying to
help the other little girls
through to victory. I saw
her, once, shout under the
power of God, for one hour.

She was sick only one
week. We sent a telegram
to the Assembly, requesting
prayer for her, and we fasted
and prayed, and begged God
to spare her if it were His
will, but we were willing for
Him to be glorified in any
way. We trusted everything
to Him and victory was ours,
even in death.

Fifteen days after the
death of our darling, God
blessed us with another little
girl. I praise God for deliv-
ery in child-birth. I Tim.
2:15. God is of a truth, able
to do exceedingly abundantly
above all that we can
think or ask.

Several nights ago, we
were called to pray for a col-
ored baby, who was dying
with pneumonia. When Mr.
Cook went to pray for it, it
could scarcely get a breath,
but God touched it, however
the doctor came and gave
medicine and next day gave
it up to die. They stopped
the medicine, and prayed
again, and the child was
healed.

I want to request prayer

for this place. The Lord
is working, and both colored,
and white are stirred.

Sister Tucker is a sub-
scriber to the paper. Her
husband is unsaved, and has
heart trouble. They seem
so precious, but are discour-
aged about salvation because
so many people profess, and
do not possess. I have heard
a man say, that it is no won-
der there are so many infi-
dels, when there are so
many professing holiness,
who do not live up to their
profession. Let us pray God
to help us to live up to the
standard, and keep ourselves
"unspotted from the world."

We have prayed one year
for God to send us a preach-
er, and I have told Him that
I am going to pray another
year, or until he answers us.
They have been close to us,
but didn't come. I know God
is working it all out to His
glory, and to our good.

Please pray for us. Some
one, please, come and help
us. The enemy is against
us, but we are determined.
Hallelujah!

Your sister
Mrs. G. T. Cook.

Clarence Town, Long Is.
Dear Brother Tomlinson and
All the Saints:

I am still thanking the Lord
this morning for a full and
free salvation—A salvation
that makes me live right.

I am glad I am in the land
of the living, and can be a
living witness for Jesus. I am
so glad that while he was
saving others he saved me
too. Praise the Lord! He
not only saved me, but sanc-
tified me and gave me the
Bible evidence of speaking
in other tongues as the Spirit
gives utterance. I am by no
means discouraged, but am
determined to press on.
There is a deep settled peace
in my soul. Praise the Lord.

I am so glad there are
some people yet who are
willing to lift Jesus up to a
lost world.

We still have our regular
meetings as usual, and I am
doing my best in giving out
the word as far as the Lord
leads. He certainly does
bless our souls.

I ask all the saints to pray
for us here at Clarence Town
where the opposition is run-
ning high.

Your brother in Christ,
Lewis J. Major.

Nassau, N. P., Bahamas

Dear Bro. Tomlinson and
Evangel Readers—Greet-
ings in Jesus' Precious
Name:

Today finds us all well and
shouting the victory over sin.

We sailed from Miami,

Fla., Jan. 18, and arrived in
Nassau Jan. 24. We were
tossed over the briny deep,
six days and nights, but the
Lord cared for us all the
way. Hallelujah!

The saints received us
gladly. All wanted to do
something for us to make us
comfortable. God bless their
precious hearts. I shall never
forget them.

We had a few glorious
services here in the taber-
nacle. The saints shouted,
danced and talked in
tongues, just like the Church
of God folks in America.
Conviction got hold of the
people, two or three received
the Holy Ghost, five followed
the Lord in water baptism,
and one was added to the
church.

Next we went to Fox Hill,
where we were met by a
band of sweet saints, who
gave us a glad welcome. I
shall never forget how the
power fell, as the glory of
the Lord filled the house.
The Lord helped in the giv-
ing out of His word, and one
man was gloriously saved.

From Fox Hill we went to
the Current, Eleuthera Island.
The saints were anxiously
awaiting our arrival. There,
the power fell in a wonder-
ful way; sinners were con-
victed and began to cry out
to God for mercy. Fifteen
or sixteen were saved, ten
followed the Lord in water
baptism, one was baptized
with the Holy Ghost, and
nine were added to the
church. All the praise be to
our God.

Now, you precious saints
in America, who helped to
send me over here, help us
shout; knowing that you have
a part in this work.

Our next visit will be to
Green Turtle Cay, Abaco,
Island, and then to Coopers-
town.

Please pray for us. The
harvest is white and the la-
borers are few. We have
only a few preachers here,
and they have to work for a
living.

The common laborers here
receive two shillings, which
is forty-eight cents, for a
day's work. Flour is twelve
dollars (\$12.00) per barrel,
bacon, forty - three cents
(\$0.43) per lb., butter, sixty-
five cents (\$0.65) per lb.,
and other things in propor-
tion. Of course you wonder,
and I do too, how they live
on such a little; but they
manage to live.

This is a good place to
learn to endure hardness as a
soldier of Jesus Christ. If
you want to suffer with Him,
come over and help us.

May God bless you all
abundantly, and make this

the best year of your lives.

Your brother, saved and
filled, and ready for the glo-
rious appearing of our bless-
ed Lord,

W. H. Cross,
Nassau N. P.,
Bahamas.

Monarat, Va.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and
All the Saints—Greetings
in Jesus' Dear Name:

I would like to add my
testimony to the Evangel
family.

I am praising God for full
salvation. I am glad that
God has saved, sanctified
me, and about six years ago
I received the Holy Ghost.
I am on my way to glory.
The Comforter still abides. I
am glad that I ever found
Him at my healer, and I can
trust Him for both soul and
body.

I am glad that I am in the
Church of God, and by
God's help I mean to stay
there till I am called hence.

There was some teaching
given out in our church last
summer on purifying the
church and many of us were
deceived, and not knowing
what we were doing, came
out of the church into a new
body and called it the
Church of God. I am glad
that I got my eyes open and
saw the error of my step. I
praise God for sending Bros.
McLain and Fritz here and
preaching the word to us a
week; and the result is, that
the most of the members
have come back into the old
paths, and the work is going
nicely again.

I am sorry that I allowed
the enemy to deceive me,
but I have asked God to for-
give me, and I would like to
give a word of warning to all
the members of the church,
to watch and pray and not
allow the enemy to deceive
you in thinking God wants
His children to come out of
the church, to get things in
the body to be made right.

Paul's instructions to the
churches are plain enough to
follow.

God bless you all.

Your sister in Christ, wait-
ing for the coming of Jesus,
Margaret E. Hanks,

At Rest

Sister Hannah Deavers,
of Parkersburg, W. Va., de-
parted this life Nov. 16, 1916.

Sister Deavers was a mem-
ber of the Church of God,
and proved faithful unto
death.

She leaves a husband and
five children to mourn her
loss. But "God shall wipe
away all tears from their
eyes" in the bright home
above.

A Sister in Christ.

Asleep in Jesus.

After suffering with heart
dropsy for nearly two years,
and with pneumonia for nine
days, my father, P. I. Cox,
of Mt. Ash, Ky., departed
this life, Jan. 24, 1917.

Our father was a true
Christian, and a minister in
the Church of God. He
had been baptized with the
Holy Ghost, and during the
last night he spent with us on
earth, the Spirit spoke
through him.

Please pray for my unsav-
ed brother who was the bur-
den of father's heart. He
often prayed for him.

We miss our loved one at
home, at church, and every-
where, but we expect to see
him by and bye.

Praise God!

His daughter,
Nettie Brown.

Well do I remember Bro.
Cox, and his family has our
sympathy at this time of their
bereavement. But they do
not sorrow as those who
have no hope.—Ed.

Cincinnati, Ohio,

Bro. Tomlinson and All
Saints:

I feel like speaking a little
word for Jesus since He, in
His infinite mercy, has re-
deemed me from sin and
given me the baptism with
the Holy Ghost.

There is no Church of
God here, and the devil cer-
tainly has tried to make me
give up the way; but I have
started, and I'm determined
to be faithful to the end, no
matter what comes or goes.

I praise God for His heal-
ing power. He heals the
body as well as the soul. He
healed my baby when it was
choking with croup.

Please pray for me, that I
may be ready to go with Je-
sus when He comes, and
pray for my husband, who is
an unbeliever.

Your sister,
Mrs. S. M. Howard.

Augusta, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson—
Greetings in the Name of
Jesus:

I am so glad that I feel the
love of Jesus burning in my
soul. I can report victory
over sin and the devil. Praise
God! I feel just like going
on. The word of God is not
too straight, neither is the way
too narrow for me. I just
want to live up to the stand-
ard.

Bro. J. E. Holmes has been
preaching for us during the
past two weeks, and we cer-
tainly have enjoyed his ser-
mons. Bro. Holmes is a good,
humble, man of God. He
preaches the truth, and holds
up a Bible standard. We ap-
preciated his work very much.

Please pray for the band
of saints at this place, that
we may be drawn together
in closer unity and fellowship.

Your sister,
Fannie Duncan.

Punta Gorda, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and
Readers of the Evangel:

I am a member here of a band of loyal subjects to the King of kings—the Church of God.

I consider this an honor, as well as privilege, and I am praising Him for His wonderful blessing. Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, our sanctification and redemption!

He has taken me up out of the depths of sorrow and by trials, difficulties and burdens, which he has permitted me to endure, has so strengthened me, until I feel that I can go with Him all the way. All glory to His name!

Yes, it is better to walk with Jesus alone, and have for our heads, a pillow of stone, than to have all the riches of earth without Him.

I wish to give my reasons for preferring the Church of God.

I believe it assures a permanence of the doctrine of Christ, which is best adapted to man's present and future welfare; and will be the future religion, of an intellectual, and morally dominant people.

That it is a stupendous agency for the physical, as well as the intellectual, moral and spiritual uplifting of mankind to the degree of physical and intellectual, endowment, which assures a clear mind and healthy body.

A simple and unquestioning faith, is not always the possession of the ignorant alone.

Viewed in the white light of the love of Jesus, I find the religion of this church pure and undefiled.

Last but not least; if we are to survive as a Christian nation, visible, tangible, evidence is in order, and we should develop our spiritual senses in these proper channels as explained in I Cor. 12:4-11, and demonstrate these subjects more.

Brethren and sisters I love Him, and am

Yours for a childlike faith,
Martha Bodiford.

Cleveland, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and
All the Dear Saints:

It seems that I can hear Jesus say, "All these long years you have never testified for me through the little paper." So I want to praise God for this wonderful salvation.

The sixth of next month it will have been five years, since this same Jesus saw me in the ballroom, and moving picture shows—lost. As

I heard the word of God, this poor soul of mine was seized with conviction, I was too proud to go to the altar but as they sang:

"Yes whosoever will,
Thy word oh Lord I own;
Tho' near the brink of hell,
All heaven bids me come!"—

I cried, "Oh Jesus it is I." I was standing back with my sinner friends, and said to myself, "I can't go, but the loving Jesus knew my heart and soon I was slain under the mighty power of God. My friends left me then, and I was all alone with Jesus, crying out for this poor lost soul of mine that was covered with sin. Jesus soon came to my aid, and wonderfully saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost. I am still praising God, and shouting the victory over sin and the devil.

Nearly a year later my husband received the Holy Ghost, and now my two little girls are in this way, and another one is seeking.

My father, mother, brother and sister have been baptized with the Holy Ghost.

We all love Jesus, so we pay our tithes and trust God for soul and body.

Our home is a happy one. We have no treasures or luxuries here but a mansion which Jesus has gone to prepare.

Oh how I love Him!

A sister in Christ,
Mrs. R. S. Fussell.

Jasper, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and
All the Dear Saints—Greetings in Jesus' Name:

I just want to pen a few lines of praise to God for salvation, sanctification, and the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Praise His sweet name!

I waited long, for the Holy Ghost, but at last He came, and I am now filled with great joy.

I praise Him for His church and for all His children, laboring with each other, for the love He gives us for God and for each other. It is just wonderful.

We have moved to Jasper, Ala., and need your prayers, that we may hold on, and keep sweet in Him.

My determination to abide is stronger than ever. I mean by His help to go on, and do the things he would have me to do.

I want to obey Him that He may trust me with some of the deeper things. Oh that I might point some one to Jesus, and by my life, lead them in the way of righteousness.

I desire to be useful in His

kingdom, and receive more knowledge, love, patience and the best gifts, in Jesus' dear name.

This is a place which seems to have been neglected by the Church or God people.

Pray that God will send a preacher and establish a church here.

With love to all of God's people, am

Your brother,
Oscar A. Cox.

Warrior, Ala.

Why call ye me, Lord, Lord and do not the things which I say?

Surely we all want to know what he says.

He said, first: Repent ye and believe the gospel Mark 1:15. Then Peter said unto them repent, and be baptized ever one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you and to your children and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. Acts 2:38, 39.

When Jesus was here on earth He told His disciples to tarry in Jerusalem until they were endued with power from on high. He did not stop with this, but told them to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. And we must not have respect of persons; if we do we commit sin.

Jesus says in Mark 16:17;18 These signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover.

Many are saying, Lord, Lord, and professing to know God and believe His word who have not repented; have not tarried for the power; and have not the signs following them but rather condemn them.

Jesus says, why call ye me Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?

Minnie Duke.

Empire, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:
Greetings in Jesus' Name.

I praise God for salvation, through the blood of Jesus. It brings such joy to my soul to think of where I once was, and how God has blessed me and showed me the way of holiness.

I have been trying to do my best for the Lord since he saved, and sanctified, and

filled me with the Holy Ghost,

I praise the Lord for His wonderful healing power. He healed my little boy of epileptic fits. Praise the Lord! I love Jesus, and mean to live for Him.

Pray for me, that I may be true to Jesus.

Your sister,
Ellen Nelson.

Quitman, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and
All the Saints—Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name:

Today finds me anchored in Jesus, with the determination in my heart to go through.

I thank God for a full and free salvation, and for the blessed Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4.

I love this way better every day. I am just delighted with it.

I have met a great deal of opposition, but glory to Jesus He helps me all along the way.

You know the devil is always busy, so we have to keep praying in order to keep victory.

We have a nice little church here and good meetings and Sunday school every Sunday. We thank God for a faithful pastor.

It is wonderful how Jesus helps us to overcome the trials and troubles of life, so that we should have more love for each other. We shall pass this way but once and if there is any kindness we can show, or any good we can do, let us not neglect it. Our time here is limited. Soon our troubles will end, and eternal life begin. So let us all move forward for God, and be faithful workers.

I earnestly desire the prayers of all the saints that I may ever stand true, and be ready when Jesus comes.

Mrs. G. L. Bryan.

Eupora, Miss.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and
All of God's Children:

I want to send to the Evangel, a few words of praise to God for doing such wonderful things for me.

I am a little boy of twelve years. I have been having epileptic fits, from three to ten, nearly every day and night since I was nine years old until the third week of September, when the Lord wonderfully healed me.

My father had tried every physician of whom he could hear, but they could do nothing for me, and gave me up to die. Several times I was thought to be dying, but praise the Lord I found the Great Physician, and I'm now sound and well.

I haven't taken any medi-

cine since I received the Holy Ghost; before, I would take from four to five dollars worth every month.

I have a doctor now who never gives medicine.

Pray for your little brother I want to be a brave soldier for Jesus.

Aurbrey Washam.

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